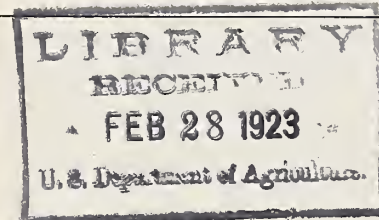
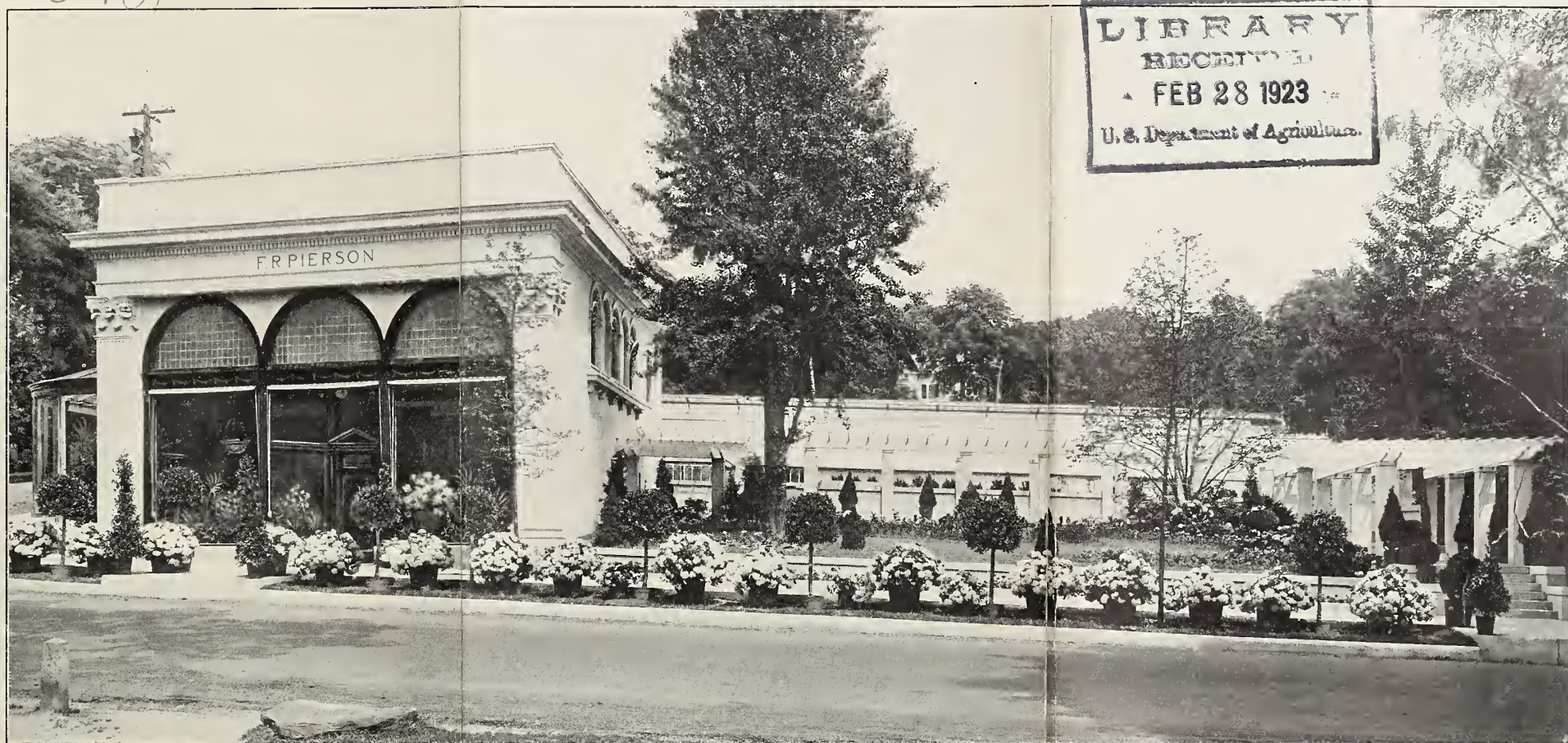


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Front view of our office building, the most palatial flower shop in the world, erected at Tarrytown, 1914. In this building are our offices and showrooms, where we have unusual facilities for conducting our retail business. We give particular attention to floral decorations, and we arrange artistically flowers and plants for all occasions.

PRICE LIST *of* FERNS, Etc.

We desire to call attention to the extra choice varieties of *Nephrolepis* offered in this list, most of which originated with us and are our own introductions

Our nurseries, comprising over fifty acres, are located at Scarborough, which is on the New York Central & Hudson River Railroad, five miles north of Tarrytown. They adjoin the Railroad Station and extend two-thirds of a mile along Broadway or the Albany Post Road, and contain one of the rarest and choicest collections of hardy shrubs and trees in the country. Landscape work is one of our specialties.

Our greenhouse establishment is also located at Scarborough, New York, and is one of the largest in the United States. The greenhouses are of immense size, each covering half an acre, and are devoted to the cultivation of cut flowers, with which we supply the markets of New York, Boston, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, and other cities.

Catalogues on application.

F. R. PIERSON, Tarrytown, N. Y.



Elegantissima

NEPHROLEPIS SMITHII (The Lace Fern)

This is the daintiest of all the Nephrolepis. The fronds are very fine and filmy, on which account it has been called *The Lace Fern*. It is an improved variety and the best of this type. It makes a most beautiful plant, especially in the smaller sizes. Nothing is daintier or more exquisite than well-grown specimens in small pots up to 6-inch. Very perfect little specimens can be grown in 3½-inch pots. Fine for table decoration.

Strong plants, 3½-inch pots, 75c. each; 5-inch, \$1.50 each.

NEPHROLEPIS PIERSONI ELEGANTISSIMA

This splendid Nephrolepis, introduced by us in 1903, has been considered one of the best sorts that was ever introduced, and is still one of the best ferns grown today, particularly in large sizes where beautiful large specimen plants are desired. This variety with its graceful, long, compact fronds, and excellent habit of growth, makes it one of the finest decorative plants, and is still in just as good demand for large specimen plants as it was years ago when it was first introduced.

Strong plants, 3½-inch pots, 75c. and \$1.00 each; 6-inch, \$1.50 to \$2.00 each; 8-inch, \$4.00 to \$5.00 each; extra large specimens, 10-inch, \$6.00 to \$10.00 each.



Muscosa

NEPHROLEPIS MUSCOSA (The Moss Fern)

This Nephrolepis, introduced by us in 1911, is a sport from *superbissima*, and has the same rich dark color, but the foliage is very fine and moss-like, which suggested the name, this being the distinctive characteristic of the plant. It makes a very beautiful, distinct and refined plant, especially in the small sizes, making most beautiful specimens in small pots. Its distinctiveness and beauty commend it to all plant lovers.

Strong plants, 3½-inch pots, 75c. and \$1.00 each; 5-inch, \$1.50 each; 6-inch, \$2.00 each.

NEPHROLEPIS DWARF BOSTON

This is one of the most useful and desirable of all the plain-leaved types of the *Boston Fern*. It is a very dwarf and compact grower—very much like *Scottii*, but a much better grower. This variety originated with us and is a sport from *elegantissima compacta*. It makes a very beautiful compact plant, especially in small and medium sizes, even in as small as a 3½-inch pot. It makes an ideal plant in 6-inch and 8-inch pots. We are growing this variety largely, and can recommend it to all growers of ferns.

Strong plants, 3½-inch pots, 50c. each; 6-inch, \$1.50 each; 8-inch, \$4.00 to \$5.00 each.



Dwarf Boston

NEPHROLEPIS ELEGANTISSIMA COMPACTA

This dwarf, compact form of *elegantissima*, introduced by us in 1909, bears the same relation to that variety that *Scottii* does to *Bostoniensis*. The fronds are considerably shorter than those of *elegantissima*, and it throws a great many more crowns, making it a very bushy, compact, symmetrical plant. It has an ideal habit, and occupies a place by itself, being as distinct from *elegantissima* as that variety is from the original *Piersoni*. While it occasionally throws a few Boston fronds when growth is checked, its dwarf, compact habit makes it particularly desirable. It is especially valuable for growing in small-sized pots, making particularly perfect specimens even in a 3½-inch pot.

Strong plants, 3½-inch pots, 75c. and \$1.00 each; 6-inch, \$1.50 to \$2.00 each; 8-inch, \$4.00 to \$5.00 each; extra large specimens, 10-inch, \$6.00 to \$10.00 each.

NEPHROLEPIS VICTORIA (The Victory Fern)

This variety is a beautiful crested form of *Teddy, Jr.*, with fronds frequently sub-divided on the ends, making it a most unique, desirable variety. It is a good grower and with its branching habit makes it a very fine plant for conservatory or house decoration. This variety was introduced by us in 1919.

Strong plants, 3½-inch pots, 75c. each; 6-inch, \$1.50 and \$2.00 each; 8-inch pots, \$4.00 and \$5.00 each.

NEPHROLEPIS HARRISII

This is a very superior and distinct type of the *Boston Fern*, and is similar to that variety except that the fronds are convoluted, or wavy, also broader and more sharply pointed, and the pinnæ are beautifully fluted. On account of its strong growth and long fronds, it is more desirable in the large sizes—say 8-inch and larger—and makes particularly beautiful large specimen plants.

Strong plants, 3½-inch pots, 75c. each.

CIBOTIUM SCHIEDEI

This is one of the most graceful and beautiful ferns in cultivation, and, while the fronds are delicate and lace-like in appearance, it is one of the hardiest and most reliable ferns for conservatory and house decoration. Well grown specimens are very much in demand.

Extra fine specimens, 8-inch pots, \$5.00 each.

ADIANTUM (Maiden Hair Ferns)

Croweanum. This variety is an improvement on the *Cuneatum*, having stronger and longer fronds than the *Cuneatum*. It makes an elegant pot plant and is fine for cutting, to be used with cut flowers.

Strong plants, 6-inch pots, \$2.50 each; specimen plants, 8-inch, \$5.00 each.

Cuneatum. (The well-known Maiden Hair Fern.) While the fronds are smaller than *Croweanum* or *Wrightii*, it makes a very fine, compact, symmetrical plant.

Strong plants, 6-inch pots, \$2.50 each; specimen plants, 8-inch, \$5.00 each.

Wrightii. (A new Maiden Hair Fern.) It is a very fine, strong growing plant, having much heavier and longer fronds than *Croweanum*. Is splendid for cutting and we would recommend this variety to any one who wishes nice, long, strong fronds to use with all kinds of cut flowers.

Strong plants, 6-inch pots, \$3.50 each.

SMALL FERNS FOR FERN PANS

We offer a fine assortment of *Pteris* and other varieties suitable for the filling of fern pans for table decoration.

Strong plants, 2¼-inch pots, 15c. each; \$1.50 per dozen; \$10.00 per hundred.



Nephrolepis elegantissima compacta

ARECA LUTESCENS

One of the best and most graceful palms in cultivation. Foliage, bright, glossy green with yellow stems.

Fine plants, 7-inch pots, \$10.00 each.

ASPARAGUS PLUMOSUS NANUS

This very useful plant is very largely used with small ferns for filling pans for table decoration, and it is also largely used for cutting for foliage to use in connection with cut flowers.

Strong plants, 3½-inch pots, 35c. each; \$3.50 per dozen.

ASPIDISTRA LURIDA

Aspidistras are very desirable plants for house decoration. They are considered hardier than almost any other plants and will thrive in situations where other plants fail. We offer the green-leaved variety.

Strong plants, 6-inch pots, \$2.50 to \$3.50 each.

CROTONS

Crotons are among the showiest of the decorative plants for house or conservatory decoration. On account of their exquisite foliage, they make exceedingly fine decorative plants. We offer a fine assortment of the best varieties.

Strong plants out of 3½- and 4-inch pots, 75c. to \$1.50 each. Large made-up plants with ferns at the base, 8, 10, and 12-inch pots, \$7.50 to \$10.00 each.

FICUS ELASTICA (Rubber Plant)

Fine for decoration and very desirable for house and conservatory use.

Strong plants, 6-inch pots, \$2.00 to \$3.00 each. Large made-up plants, 10-inch pots, \$7.50 to \$10.00 each.

KENTIA BELMOREANA

Kentias are among the hardiest palms that are grown today. They make fine, attractive plants, and although they are higher in price than some other plants, they are well worth the difference.

Extra fine plants, 5 to 7-inch pots, \$3.00 to \$15.00 each.

NEPHROLEPIS PIERSONI ELEGANTISSIMA (The Tarrytown Fern)



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The only Gold Medal ever awarded by the Society of American Florists

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